

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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1. ~~Panama-~~
~~Venezuela-~~
Colombia

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3. Saudi Arabia -
Yemen

a. Ambassador Hart thinks Faysal will not agree to extending the UN mission again when its mandate expires on 4 January.

b. He feels Nasir's pledge to take out 5,000 troops is not nearly enough to satisfy Faysal and believes that by mid-December the crown prince will be willing to risk the departure of "Hard Surface."

c. Faysal might hope that an escalation of the conflict would then force the US and UN to do something drastic.

d. Hart says UN mission chief General Gyani agrees and sees little chance of Nasir's complying with the Bunker agreement for at least a year.

4. Algeria

a. AFP reports a wave of speculation in Algiers on the status of Defense Minister Boumedienne.

b. He has not been seen publicly for several days and missed the reception at the Soviet Embassy celebrating the 7 November revolution.

c. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the defense minister might be eased out because of his free-wheeling activities. He had been directing operations on the Moroccan border when Algerian forces temporarily ignored the cease-fire agreement.

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NOTES

- A. Egypt Egyptian reaction to the foreign aid bill amendment has been predictably strong. Ambassador Badeau reports that Nasir is said to have talked of nothing else when he met Willy Brandt in Cairo on 8 November. Egyptian news media are having a field day and putting most of the blame on alleged Israeli influence.
- B. Turkey Turkish military leaders may soon take a stronger hand in the government in order to offset the growing strength of the opposition Justice Party. The Justice Party--composed largely of supporters of the old Menderes regime--is likely to emerge from local elections on 17 November as the country's majority party. The party's influence will be boosted even more if Premier Inonu, whose coalition government is shaky, is forced to turn to it for political support.
- C. Berlin A nondismount size US convoy of 13 vehicles cleared Babelsberg and Marienborn checkpoints without difficulty this morning. The only hitch was about a one-hour wait at Babelsberg while the Soviet commander finished his Wheaties.
- D. US-USSR An AP dispatch this morning says the USSR has arrested Yale Professor Fred C. Barghoorn as a spy. The US Embassy has been informed but has not been allowed to see him. Barghoorn is identified as an expert on Soviet affairs who formerly served in the embassy in Moscow (1942-47) and is in the USSR on leave from Yale.

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